



November 14, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I hope the school year is off to a successful start for you and your child. I am writing this letter to let you know that Sedalia Elementary School has been designated as a Targeted Support & Improvement Additional Targeted Support (TSI-AT) school by the North Carolina State Board of Education. Per ESSA Section 1111(d)(2), schools are identified as TSI-AT schools in North Carolina because one or more of the following subgroups received a subgroup performance grade score at or below the highest identified CSI-LP school's All Students group during the identification year; and is on the TSI-CU list for the subgroup(s) for the previous year. Subgroup performance scores are provided for the following subgroups: (1) Students with Disabilities, (2) Economically Disadvantaged, (3) Black, (4) White, (5) Hispanic, (6) Asian-Pacific Islander, (7) Multi-racial, and (8) English Learners. This letter is to notify our parents and guardians of Sedalia Elementary School's intentions to improve educational outcomes for underperforming student subgroups and close achievement gaps for all students.

As a TSI-AT (ATSI) school, Sedalia Elementary School is required to develop an Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve outcomes for underperforming subgroups. The plan will also include strategies that our district or charter will employ to support Sedalia Elementary School's improvement efforts. The ATSI plan will address the following areas

- Classroom Management
- Standards-aligned Instruction
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Instructional Leadership
- Recruitment & Retention of Effective Teachers
- Support for Grade-to-Grade Transitions
- Implementation of a Tiered Instructional System
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Student Support Services
- Family and Community Engagement



We have set the following goals for Sedalia Elementary School this year:

- By June 30, 2024, Sedalia Elementary School will increase its overall Performance Composite by at least 3 percentage points, from 46.7% in 2022-2023 to 49.7% in 2023-2024.
- By June 30, 2024, Sedalia Elementary School will increase overall 3rd grade reading EOG proficiency by at least 3 percentage points, from 38% in 2022-2023 to 41% in 2023-2024.
- By June 30, 2024, Sedalia Elementary School will decrease chronic student absences (10% or more of days enrolled) by 5 percentage points, from 29.4% in 2022-2023 to 24.4% in 2023-2024.
- By June 30, 2024, Sedalia Elementary School will reduce the number of lost instructional days resulting from discipline referrals by 10% from 17.3% in 2022-2023 to 7.3% in 2023-2024.
- By June 2023, Sedalia Elementary School will establish a baseline number of engaging opportunities for students, families, and community stakeholders in addition to a baseline percentage of students, families, and community stakeholders who are actively engaged in all tiers of MTSS will be established.

Here are some strategies that we will be/are implementing to improve student outcomes:

- Provide small group tutoring
- Added in additional instructional support into the master schedule
- Reading Buddies Program
- Men of Prestige Mentoring Program
- Increased staff professional development
- Provide teachers with an opportunity to observe other teachers

Also, parent engagement is at the heart of our school improvement efforts. Here are some ways we can work together:

- Ensure that both you and your child know the academic expectations set for your child this school year. A list of learning objectives in student-friendly language is available from your student's teacher(s).
- Call Mrs. Sandra Hines at (336) 449-4711 if you have questions or concerns about your student or to set up an appointment to meet with a school staff member who will be working with your child.
- Make sure that your child is prepared and attends school each day.
- Monitor your child's homework.
- Monitor the progress your child is making and attend meetings with your child's teacher(s).
- Keep track of our website and social media sites https://www.gcsnc.com/sedalia_elementary.
- Volunteer.
- Join the Sedalia Elementary School Parent Teacher Association.

Additionally, listed below are a few resources available to help:

- Graduation requirements: www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/
- K-12 standards in academic subjects: www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/
- State student achievement test results: www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/
- N.C. School Report Cards: <https://ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com/src>



We are committed to improving student performance. It is important to remember that just as no single score or grade tells the whole story of a student, neither does it tell you everything about a school's performance or the opportunities that our school provides. The intent of receiving these designations is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction. We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your child.

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Ms. Yvonne Eason at easony2@gcsnc.com or (336) 449-4711 or (336) 890-0310.

Sincerely,

Ms. Yvonne Eason
Principal